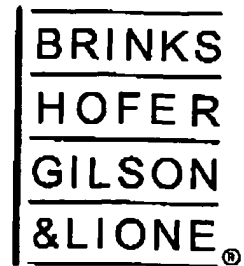


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Transmittal letter in duplicate, and;  
Revised Amendment & Request for Reconsideration, originally filed June 7, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amanda Church".

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In re Appln. of: Sherrod et al.

Appln. No.: 09/825,609

Filed: April 3, 2001

For: **ABSORBENT INSERT FOR USE WITH AN  
OUTER ABSORBENT GARMENT**

Examiner: Karin M. Reichle

Art Unit: 3761

Attorney Docket No: 659/695 (KC 14,897)

Mail Stop Amendment  
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 P. O. Box 1450  
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**TRANSMITTAL**

Sir:

**Attached is/are:**

☒ Transmittal Letter (In dup); Revised Amendment and Request for Reconsideration, originally filed June 7, 2004.

☐ Return Receipt Postcard

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**REVISED AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 5, 2004, Applicants timely filed this Amendment by Certificate of Mailing on June 7, 2004. In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, mailed on June 13, 2004, this Response is being resubmitted with the requested changes. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner

to withdraw the objections and rejections to this application and to grant allowance of this Application in view of the following remarks and amended claims.

Please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.